
EFFECTIVE

January 9, 2013.

Subject**FIP Federal Time Limit****BEM 210 & 234**

The federal 60 month time limit policy is reinstated in part.

To be eligible for FIP, the FIP group cannot include an adult who has accumulated more than 60 TANF funded months, beginning October 1, 1996.

Exception: The federal 60 month time limit policy does not apply to individuals who met the following criteria **on January 9, 2013:**

- An approved/active ongoing FIP EDG **and**
- Who was exempt from participation in the P.A.T.H. program for:
 - Domestic Violence
 - Establishing Incapacity
 - Incapacitated more than 90 days
 - Aged 65 or older
 - Care of a spouse with disabilities
 - Care of a child with disabilities

The exception continues as long as:

- the individual's ongoing FIP EDG reaches 60 TANF federal months and the individual remains one of the above employment deferral reasons. In these instances, the FIP EDG will become state funded after the 60th month.
- the individual, at application, is approved as **any** of the above employment deferral reasons. In these instances, the FIP EDG will be state funded.

The exception ends once one of the above individuals no longer qualifies for one of the above employment deferral criteria, as well as other standard eligibility criteria. The FIP EDG will close or the application will be denied.

Bridges will identify the above clients on the *Michigan/Federal Time Limits Search Summary* screen.

Reason: New Legislation

LEGAL BASE**FIP**

2011 P.A. 131 and 2011 P.A. 132, amending MCL 400.57 - 57u.,
MCL 400.6(3) and (4)

2012 P.A. 607

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